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Minutes
STATE MARSHAL COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING
March 16, 2015

Members present: W. Martyn Philpot, Jr., Esq, Michael Cronin, Esq., by teleconference call, Hon. Elizabeth Bozzuto, Sarah Fryxell, Esq., by teleconference call, and Robert P. LaTorraca; Also present were Ex-Officio Thomas Burke (non-voting members), Interim Administrative Manager Robert Giuditta, Staff Attorney Jennifer Y. Montgomery and State Marshals Mark DeAngelis and Peter Criscuolo, Jr. (not voting). Mildred Torres-Ferguson, Vincent Mauro, Jr. and Joel I. Rudikoff, Esq were not present.

Chairperson W. Martyn Philpot, Jr., Esq. called the meeting to order at 4:36 p.m.

First Business:

1. Minutes

The Commission voted to adopt the minutes from the January 22, 2015 meeting, by a vote of 5-0, after a motion by Robert P. LaTorraca seconded by Hon. Elizabeth Bozzuto.

The Commission voted to add an item to the agenda to permit State Marshals Mark DeAngelis and Peter Criscuolo, Jr. to address the Commission for a period of no more than 5 minutes by a vote of 5-0, after a motion by Robert P. LaTorraca seconded by Hon. Elizabeth Bozzuto.

State Marshals Mark DeAngelis and Peter Criscuolo, Jr. each addressed the Commission on the issue of the DMV address verification line. Marshal Criscuolo, Jr. expressed frustration with the administrative bulletin circulated by the Commission and the 48 hour timeframe for a return call. W. Martyn Philpot, Jr., Esq. asked the marshal to provide a proposed solution. Marshal Criscuolo, Jr. suggested that there be a designated individual to answer every call (rather than a voicemail) and a roll over line manned by a second individual. State Marshal Thomas Burke advised his position that there must be a dedicated person answering the DMV line. He indicated that funds were earmarked for such a position and dedicated line when the job function moved from the DMV to the State Marshal Commission office. Marshal Mark DeAngelis addressed the Commission and advised that they require real time information and would like a full-time staff member dedicated to manning the DMV line.

New Business:

2. State Marshal Commission Staffing

Jennifer Y. Montgomery, Esq. introduced the new Interim Administrative Manager of the State Marshal Commission, Robert Giuditta. Mr. Giuditta introduced himself and the Commission provided a warm welcome. Attorney Montgomery further advised the Commission that we are proceeding over the next two weeks with interviewing applicants to fill a paralegal position at the State Marshal Commission office.

3. State Marshal Appointment Process – Interview Process

Jennifer Y. Montgomery, Esq. advised that we are proceeding over the next few weeks with interviewing applicants to fill the state marshal county vacancies which were established at the January 22,

2015 meeting. State Marshal Thomas Burke advised that he and Lisa Stevenson would like to be present at the interviews and indicated that they had always been included in the past and that the Commission voted on such inclusion one to two years ago.

New Business:

The Commission after a motion by Hon. Elizabeth Bozzuto seconded by Robert P. LaTorraca voted 5-0 to enter executive session. The individuals present included those listed above except State Marshals Mark DeAngelis and Peter Criscuolo, Jr. were not present.

The Commission after a motion by Hon. Elizabeth Bozzuto seconded by Robert P. LaTorraca voted 5-0 to return to the public record. No votes were taken in executive session.

4. Proposed Decisions

The Commission after a motion by Hon. Elizabeth Bozzuto seconded by Robert P. LaTorraca voted 5-0 to adopt the proposed decision and disposition by the Oversight Committee and dismiss File No. 14-22 Pio/Plamondon.

5. Complaints

The Commission after a motion by Robert P. LaTorraca seconded by Michael Cronin, voted 5-0 to dismiss the following files:

File No.	Name
14-06	Marcus/Copertino
14-48	In re Poeti
14-55	In re Delsin
14-54	In re Fonfara

The Commission after a motion by Robert P. LaTorraca seconded by Michael Cronin, voted 4-0 to dismiss the following file with Hon. Elizabeth Bozzuto abstaining:

File No.	Name
14-07	Obuekwe/Kaz

The Commission after a motion by Robert P. LaTorraca seconded by Hon. Elizabeth Bozzuto, voted 5-0 to find probable cause for a hearing in the following files:

File No.	Name
14-01	Gonzales/Purcell
14-18	Plimpton & Hills Corp./McNeil
14-60	In re Pesiri

The Commission after a motion by Hon. Elizabeth Bozzuto seconded by Robert P. LaTorraca, voted 5-0 to administratively close the following file due to the Respondent's death:

File No.	Name
14-34	Everts/Wrang

6. Request for a Change of County Appointment

The Commission after a motion by Hon. Elizabeth Bozzuto seconded by Robert P. LaTorraca, voted 5-0 to grant the following requests to transfer and fill vacancies in New Haven and Hartford Counties respectively:

Name	County
Bruce Scott	Tolland to New Haven
Derek Green	Tolland to Hartford

Jennifer Y. Montgomery, Esq. read the revised county vacancies into the record in light of the two vacancies filled in Hartford and New Haven County.

Hartford – 4
 New Haven – 5
 Fairfield – 5
 New London – 4
 Tolland – 2
 Litchfield – 2
 Windham – 2
 Middlesex – 4

The Commission chose not to establish further vacancies in Tolland County at this time.

7. Request for Inactive Status (VTR)

The Commission after a motion by Robert P. LaTorraca seconded by Sarah Frxyell, Esq., voted 5-0 to grant the following request for inactive status (VTR) for a one year term.

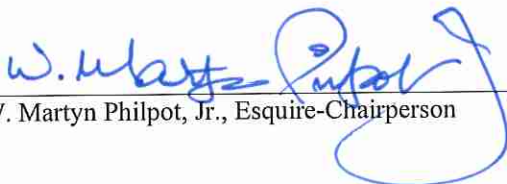
Name	County
Edmund Rice	Litchfield

The Commission after a motion by Hon. Elizabeth Bozzuto seconded by Robert P. LaTorraca, voted 5-0 to add an agenda item to permit Robert Giuditta to address the Commission and the issues raised by State Marshals Mark DeAngelis and Peter Criscuolo, Jr. Mr. Giuditta advised that the DMV line is answered according to the policies which were established in 2012 upon the inception of the line being administered by the agency. He indicated that the DMV line is currently the subject of an investigation and issues are being addressed. He further indicated that the office is open to hearing the concerns of marshals.

W. Martyn Philpot, Jr., Esq. asked for Mr. Giuditta to determine whether there are funds allocated for the DMV line. Jennifer Y. Montgomery, Esq. advised that we do not presently have the staffing for a telephone operator whose sole function is answering the DMV line.

The Commission after a motion by Hon. Elizabeth Bozzuto seconded by Robert P. LaTorraca, voted 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Minutes were approved by the Commission on April 28, 2015 Special Meeting.


 W. Martyn Philpot, Jr., Esquire-Chairperson